

Virginia Center for Onsite Wastewater Training

Comprehensive understanding of onsite wastewater practices across Virginia

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FORE! VCOWT / VOWRA Golf Tournament Scores!



The VCOWT / VOWRA golf tournament was held on April 24, 2008, at The Gauntlet Golf Club located in Stafford County. Eighteen teams (70 golfers) competed in a Captain's Choice format. The winning team was the Shane Chinault foursome. Scores ranged from 8 under par to 12 over par. Closest-to-the-pin prizes were captured by Jeff Barr, Rodney Whittaker, Dave Huggins, and Joe Calhoun. The longest drive was launched by John Mitchell.



Southside Virginia Community College

The event raised \$1,759.38 which will benefit the Virginia Center for Onsite Wastewater Training. Donations were received from eleven sponsors. The event sponsor was the Virginia Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association (VOWRA). Hole sponsors included Balzer & Associates, Inc., Best-Buy Homes, Inc., Dabney & Crooks, Inc., Drainfield Solutions, LLC, Eastern Virginia Land Company, Inc., ECS Mid-Atlantic, LLC, Freeland Engineering, P.C., Infiltrator Systems, Inc., Nokesville Design, PLC, and Bill Perry. Many thanks to the sponsors for making this event so successful!

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Demonstration Area Takes Shape

Site work is continuing on the Demonstration Area. Utility construction is progressing — water and electric lines should be complete by the middle of June. The site will soon be ready for the installation of demonstration models. Plans are also in the works for a rain-water harvesting system.

The VCOWT
Steering
Committee
meets on
the second
Friday of
every
month.

Hydrogeology Earn High Marks

VCOWT's latest course offering, "Practical Hydrogeology," was well received by participants. The course was taught by Dr. Gerald Johnson, *Professor Emeritus* in the Department of Geology at the College of William and Mary. Dr. Johnson was regarded as "top-notch" and very enthusiastic by those who attended the course. Many enjoyed the interactive nature of the class, learning about the different types of rock, and discussion about the different formations around the state. We thank Dr. Johnson for his time and hope he will return to VCOWT for future learning opportunities.

Upcoming Courses

The 2008 VCOWT Schedule is now complete. Other courses may be added so keep an eye out for "Course Reminder" emails from the VCOWT Steering Committee. For more information, visit the VCOWT's new website

www.vdh.state.va.us/EnvironmentalHealth/Onsite/VCOWT/index.htm

June 18-19, 2008	Wastewater 101
July 16-17, 2008	Effluent Dispersal Systems
August 12-13, 2008	Designing with Easy/Fast CAD
September 18-19, 2008	Pumps and Controls
October 14-15, 2008	Construction Inspection
October 23-24, 2008	Understanding Water Movement in Soils
November 19-20, 2008	Effluent Dispersal Systems
December 3-4, 2008	Wastewater 101

Questions, comments, want to receive a copy of the monthly VCOWT Steering Committee meeting minutes?
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